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# ATHENS CITY COUNCIL: REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

Athens City Council met in Regular Session at the above hour with the following members present: Butler, Crowl, Grace, Kotses, and Risner.

Also present: President Knisely, Mayor Patterson, Auditor Hecht, and Law Director Eliason.

Risner moved to Amend the Agenda to Appoint Council Member Grace to serve as Acting Clerk for this meeting; Crowl seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

## **DISPOSITION OF MINUTES:**

Crowl moved approval of the minutes of the Regular Session held August 6, 2018; Risner seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Council Member Kotses mentioned that Athens City School District Board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 23rd, at 6:30 p.m. at the Athens High School.

# REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS:

# **Mayor Patterson** shared the following:

- Columbus Road Bike Path Spur was paved today, Armitage Road paving was also underway today, as well as milling of West Union, with paving to, hopefully, be completed by August 23rd.
- High Street will be one-way, northbound, to assist with Ohio University students moving into Bromley Hall this week.

### **ORDINANCE FOR THIRD READING:**

#### 0-84-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE RICHLAND AVENUE PEDESTRIAN PASSAGEWAY PROJECT (#311). Kotses moved for Adoption; Butler seconded. Discussion: Kotses indicated that the estimated total cost of this project is almost \$3.5 million. The City has secured over \$1.8 million for this project through the Transportation Alternatives Program award, and recognizing the importance of this passageway to Ohio University students, the City anticipates receiving \$400,000 from Ohio University.

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Mayor Patterson indicated that the City will continue to look for other granting mechanisms (Transportation Improvement District grant for economic impact) to help augment the City's share of this project.

Adoption was approved unanimously.

# **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:**

# 0-88-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) FOR ISSUE I FUNDS; TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

# 0-93-18

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING VEHICLES NO LONGER NEEDED FOR A MUNICIPAL PURPOSE.

# **ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING:**

#### 0-94-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ATHENS AND HOCKING COLLEGE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE.

# 0-95-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN LPA/STATE PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SIGN REPLACEMENT ON U.S. STATE ROUTES 33 AND 50, AND STATE ROUTE 682; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

#### 0-96-18

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH DRIVEOHIO.

#### 0-97-18

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE STEWART MACDONALD BUILDING, LOCATED AT 21 NORTH SHAFER STREET, AS A LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATION.

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#### 0-98-18

AN ORDINANCE AFFIRMING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ATHENS CITY FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, OHIO LABOR COUNCIL, INC., AND THE CITY OF ATHENS POLICE AND LIEUTENANTS, CONCERNING WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2018 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE.

#### **RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING:**

# R-07-18

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION: AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES; AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

# R-08-18

THE CITY OF ATHENS STRONGLY URGES THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INVEST THE STATE BUDGET SURPLUS IN MUNICIPALITIES. Discussion: President Knisely reported that both she and Mayor Patterson will be sending letters to Governor Kasich in support of and complimentary to this Resolution.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS:

Butler reminded those wishing to view future City Council meetings, that The Government Channel has been moved to Spectrum Channel 1024.

Risner moved to Accept the Auditor's July, 2018, Financial Reports; Crowl seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

At approximately 7:30 p.m. Crowl moved to Adjourn; Butler seconded. Motion to Adjourn was approved unanimously.

	Dunaidant of Causail
	President of Council
ATTEST:	
Acting Clerk of Council	